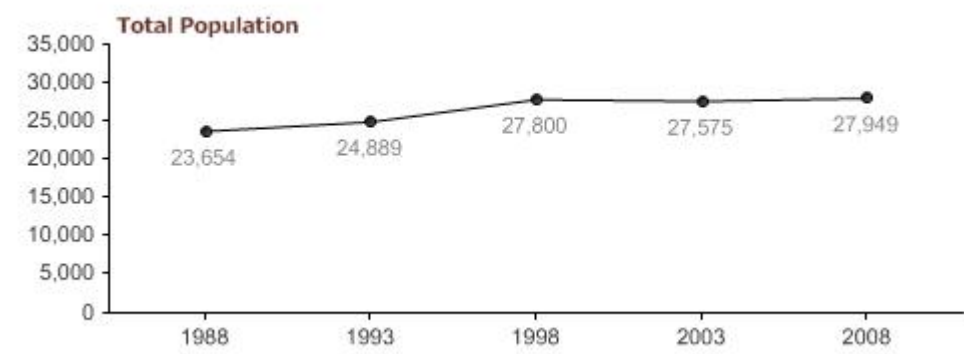


# Washington County, IN Highlights

## Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	23,654	24,889	27,800	27,575	27,949
Change Since 1988		1,235	4,146	3,921	4,295
Pct. Change Since 1988		5.2%	17.5%	16.6%	18.2%



Source: US Census Bureau

### Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	-24
International Migration	3
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	76
Births	350
Deaths	274

A bar chart titled "Components of Change" showing the breakdown of population change from 2007 to 2008. The y-axis represents the number of people, ranging from -40 to 100 in increments of 20. The x-axis lists three categories: Domestic Migration, International Migration, and Natural Increase. The bars are colored blue, red, and green respectively. The values are -24 for Domestic Migration, 3 for International Migration, and 76 for Natural Increase.

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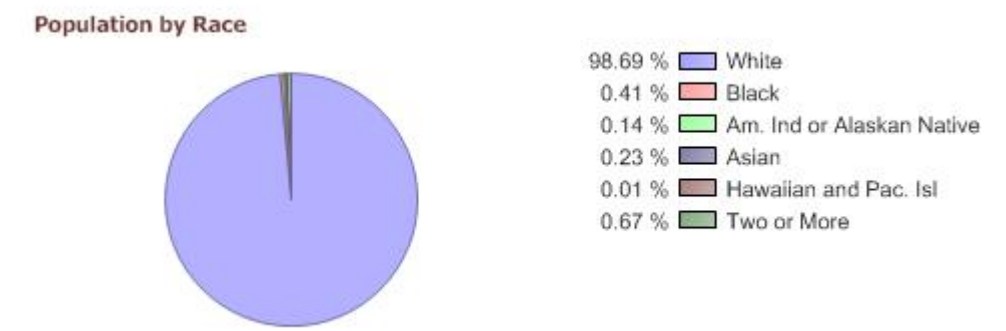
### Population Estimates by Age in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	1,731	6.2%
School Age	4,994	17.9%
College Age	2,170	7.8%

Young Adult	8,073	29.0%
Older Adult	7,364	26.4%
Older (65 plus)	3,588	12.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007		
	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	38	0.1%
Asian Alone	65	0.2%
Black Alone	114	0.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	2	0.0%
White Alone	27,515	98.7%
Two or More Race Groups	186	0.7%



Hispanic or Latino		
Non-Hispanic or Latino	27,636	99.1%
Hispanic or Latino	284	1.0%

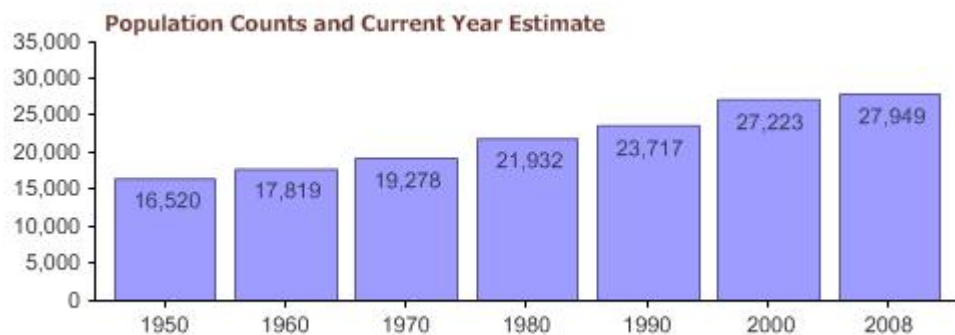
Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000		
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	10,264	100.0%
Family Households	7,582	73.9%
Married with Children	2,759	26.9%
Married without Children	3,420	33.3%
Single Parents	830	8.1%
Other	573	5.6%
Non-family Households	2,682	26.1%
Living Alone	2,275	22.2%
Average Household Size	2.66	
Average Family Household Size	3.60	

Source: US Census Bureau

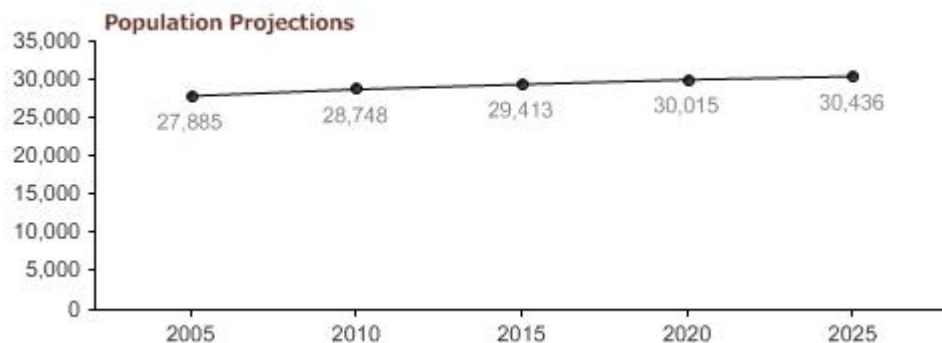
Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate			
	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	16,520	NA	NA
1960	17,819	1,299	7.9%
1970	19,278	1,459	8.2%
1980	21,932	2,654	13.8%
1990	23,717	1,785	8.1%

April 2000	27,223	3,506	14.8%
2008	27,949	726	2.7%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections					
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	27,885	28,748	29,413	30,015	30,436
Change Since 2005		863	1,528	2,130	2,551
Pct. Change Since 2005		3.1%	5.5%	7.6%	9.1%



Source: Indiana Business Research Center